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The John S. Wright Memorial Library



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Visit the John S. Wright Memorial Library at the Indiana State Library

Everyone is welcome to visit the Indiana State Library.

Staff are available to assist patrons with their research questions. Librarians with expertise in a variety of fields are on hand to provide guidance and information.

Access to most of the items in the collection of the John S. Wright Memorial Library is available through the Library's 2nd floor reference desk. The Academy's librarian is also available to help answer questions from Monday through Friday 8 a.m.—4 p.m. (317.232.3686).

Arrange for a class, club, department, or organization to visit the Indiana State Library. Staff can provide tours geared towards the specific needs and interests of the group in preparing for a research visit.

To arrange for a tour or research visit for a group, call (866) 683-0008.



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Hours (Eastern Time Zone):

Monday-Friday 8 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Thursday 8 a.m.—7 p.m.

Saturday 8 a.m.—4 p.m.

What is the John S. Wright Memorial Library?

The John S. Wright Memorial Library contains both an archive of the Indiana Academy of Science's (IAS) publications as well as an extensive collection of items from scientific organizations worldwide which have been received by the IAS as a part of its exchange program.

The collection consists primarily of peer-reviewed scientific journals and other periodicals of use to researchers, including publications of other scientific societies and academies. The Library also contains significant holdings in foreign languages, such as French, German, Japanese, Russian, and Thai.

The Library is located within the Indiana State Library, and its collection can be directly accessed by Library staff. Patrons may request IAS materials through the reference desk on the 2^{nd} floor.

Items can be used by patrons at the Library and many items can be checked out by those with a valid Indiana State Library card. Many materials from the Academy's library collection also circulate through the inter-library loan program meaning they can be requested directly through your local public library. This can be particularly useful if you are not physically able to come to the Indiana State Library, but still wish to utilize the collection of the John S. Wright Memorial Library.

What is the Indiana Academy of Science?

The Indiana Academy of Science, the oldest scientific society in the state, was organized December 19, 1885 in Marion County, Indiana.

The mission of the Academy was stated in its first Constitution as encouraging:

> ...scientific research and the diffusion of knowledge concerning the various departments of science; and to promote a dialogue between individuals engaged in scientific work, especially in Indiana...

From its original 71 members, the Academy has grown over the last century to have a membership of more than 1200.

What are some of the Academy's publications and activities?

The Academy publishes its proceedings twice per year and is actively involved in publishing other materials which focus on the sciences in Indiana.

In addition to being a professional organization, the Indiana Academy of Science is also active in the education and encouragement of future scientists. Youth activities include the Junior Academy and the Science Talent Search. Grant opportunities are also available to high school students,

and Indiana's science teachers are encouraged to become members.

Members of the Academy also sit on some Indiana Governor's Councils and are active advisers to the Governor on scientific topics.

Where can I find more information about the Academy?

The Indiana Academy of Science welcomes new members. To inquire about membership please contact the head of the Membership Committee directly at 260.744.8624.

The Academy also has a website at www.indianaacademyofscience.org.

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